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Mr. Lewis E. Berry
Assistant Director for Plans and Operations
Office of Civil and Defense Mobilization
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Berry:

The plan for a Federal Civil Agencies Communications System, forwarded with your letter of 22 October 1959, appears to offer a common-user communications system which should effectively meet most requirements of the Federal Civil Agencies.

This Agency may have a limited number of circuit requirements which lend themselves to incorporation into the system. Due to the intelligent nature of our operations, however, it is essential that the majority of the Agency's communications circuits provide direct point-to-point service. This requirement is met by the use of leased/allocated lines and other facilities integrated with the ICS and Department of Defense communications networks and cannot be met by common-user service. Therefore, it is essential that this Agency be included under the exempted category as stated in paragraph IV B. 3. of the plan and further amplified in paragraph I C. 3. of the plan supplement.

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If any further clarification or information concerning the Agency's requirements is desired, please contact

Sincerely,

L. K. White
Deputy Director

Originator

Director of Communications

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